

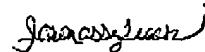
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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-45 are pending in the instant application. The pending claims have been subjected to a Restriction Requirement. The response to the original Restriction Requirement dated October 9, 2003 was deemed not fully responsive. Accordingly, in an earnest effort to be fully responsive and facilitate prosecution of this application, Applicants elect to prosecute Group II, claims 14-19, 24-26, 44 and 45, directed to an isolated polynucleotide encoding RNase H and compositions comprising pharmaceutical carriers or antisense with said RNase H polynucleotide, and vectors and cells thereof, and methods of use.

Applicants' attorney would be happy to discuss any remaining issues by telephone interview at the number provided below.

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